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For: Leather Laminate

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 24, 2002, please amend
the application as follows:

In the claims, please amend Claims 1 and 27 as follows:

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 121

(c)(1)(i):

Sub B1

1. A laminate comprising
a liquid water resistant and water vapor permeable functional layer,
and at least one leather layer having an outer surface and an inner
surface,
wherein the leather layer is ~~openly~~ hydrophobicized and
is laminated with its inner surface unmediatedly onto one side of the
functional layer,
the laminate having a water vapor transmission resistance (Ret) of less
than 600×10^{-3} (m^2 mbar)/W and a crumple flex durability of at least 50,000
cycles.

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